

The Brookings County Times



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January 2020

UPCOMING DATES

Leader's Meeting

January 13

Office Closed for
Martin Luther King Jr. Day

January 20

YQCA Training

January 20

4-H Robotics

January 26

Office Closed for
Presidents Day

February 17



Reminder!

PLEASE PAY YOUR MEMBER DUES

Member Insurance Dues:

Independent 4-H members
(who do not participate in a
club), please pay your
annual insurance fee
to the Extension Office.

Independent Members: \$3
Ind. Members in Horse Project:

Happy New Year From the Extension Office! 2020



YQCA—ALL LIVESTOCK PROJECT MEMBERS

4-H requires all livestock exhibitors at the county and state levels to complete Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) certification.

THIS INCLUDES YOUTH EXHIBITING BEEF CATTLE, DAIRY CATTLE, DAIRY GOATS, MEAT GOATS, SHEEP, SWINE, POULTRY, AND RABBITS.

Certification must be obtained by July 1, 2020. Certification can be completed online or at an instructor led training (ILT). Those who attend an ILT are eligible for a coupon code to offset the \$3 training fee. Online certifications will be subject to the \$12 processing fee. Contact the Extension Office prior to certification for instructions and to obtain an ILT coupon code.

BROOKINGS COUNTY YQCA TRAINING DATES:

Monday, January 20—BCOAC Classroom

- 1:30 p.m.—All Ages Class: (ages 8-18) All ages may attend

Friday, February 14—BCOAC Classroom

- 9:00 a.m.—All Ages Class: (ages 8-18) All ages may attend
- 10:30 p.m.—Junior Class: (ages 8-11) This content is most suitable for beginner ages

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The four H's stand for **HEAD, HEART, HANDS, HEALTH**

4-H Leader's Meeting ~ January 13, 2020

The 4-H Leader's Association will meet Monday, January 13, at 5:30 p.m. in the classroom at the Brookings County Outdoor Adventure Center. Please DO NOT let the title of the organization mislead you. All club leaders, volunteers, and parents are welcome and encouraged to attend. *We want your input!*



4-H Robotics

4-H robotics meetings begin in January! If your child is signed up, but can't make it to a session, please contact the instructor, Kenny Larson at kenneth.richard.larson@gmail.com. Each session still has a few openings so please contact the Extension Office if you are interested in participating. The beginner class is recommended for ages 9-11 and the intermediate is available for ages 12 & up. There is a \$20 fee to cover materials for the season.

Meetings run January through May, 2020 on Sundays or Saturdays at the Brookings County Outdoor Adventure Center. Some dates are tentative depending on room availability at the BCOAC. Participants will be contacted regarding any schedule confirmations or updates.

BEGINNER SESSION

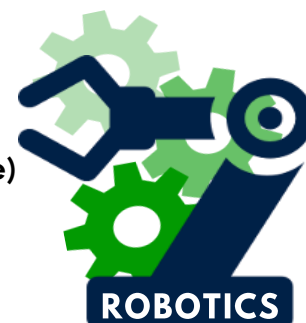
11:30—1:00 p.m.

ADVANCED SESSION

1:30—3:00 p.m.

MEETING DATES:

- ♦ January 26
- ♦ Tentative 2nd Feb. date
- ♦ February 23
- ♦ March 22
- ♦ March 29
- ♦ April 18 (Tentative)
- ♦ April 26
- ♦ May 2 (Tentative)
- ♦ May 10



New Community Service Project—Teens for Jeans

No one should be without their favorite pair of jeans! This community service project was selected by the delegates in attendance of the 2019 Teen Leadership Conference. The project strives to ensure that no one has to go without a pair of jeans.

4-H members and volunteers in Brookings County are encouraged to participate in and promote the community service project by donating new or gently used jeans of all sizes to the Extension Office drop-off. If they are donated somewhere within the community (at a non-resale location); please make sure to record how many pairs were donated and report it to the Extension Office to measure our community impact.



Teens for Jeans

*Coordinated by the South Dakota
State 4-H Ambassadors*



Donate your new or gently used jeans of all sizes to your local 4-H/SDSU Extension office by **August 1, 2020!**



Upcoming Junior Point Sanctioned Calf Shows

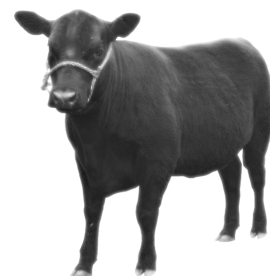
Sanctioned shows are posted on the [South Dakota Junior Point Show website](#) and updates are posted to their [Facebook page](#).

January 11—Davison County Winter Beef Show—Sioux Falls, SD—[Flyer](#) & [Entry Form](#)

January 21-25—Sioux Empire Livestock Show—Sioux Falls, SD—[Schedule](#)

February 1—Black Hills Stock Show Beef Show—Rapid City, SD—[Flyer](#) & [Website](#)

March 6-8—Jackrabbit Memorial Calf Show—Sioux Falls, SD—[Website](#)
([Scholarship applications are due February 1, 2020](#))



Watertown Winter Farm Show—Northeast 4-H Calf Show



On February 15, 4-H members enrolled in the beef project in Brookings, Clark, Codington, Day, Deuel, Grant, Hamlin, Kingsbury, Marshall, Roberts, and Spink Counties are invited to participate in the Northeast 4-H Calf Show.

5 Calf Divisions will be shown with an entry fee of \$20/animal: British Breeding Heifer, Continental/Commercial Breeding Heifer, Market Heifer, British Market Steer, Continental Crossbred Market Steer

Pre-registration is not required, however see the attached registration form with show details and for faster check-in on the day of the show. Visit their website: <https://www.watertownwinterfarmshow.com/> for schedules and contact information.

Black Hills Stock Show Youth Day

Come test your knowledge and skills in a number of challenging events including: the beef cook off, hippology, livestock judging, beef bust, horse quiz bowl, and livestockology! Additionally, a YQCA Training will be held for participants who register for it by Friday, January 17.

All Youth (non-4-H and 4-H) are invited to enter Youth Day activities. Age requirements for the Beef Cook-off, Livestock Judging, Livestockology, Horse Quiz Bowl, and Hippology, are that a youth must be at least 8 years of age by January 1, 2020 and must not have turned 19 by January 1, 2020.

Dress code: All events are as follows: button up shirt, polo, or team shirt, can be short or long sleeved, boots (Livestock Judging & Livestockology) or closed-toed shoes, and denim/dress pants. Please dress for weather if events are outside.

[The Black Hills Stock Show Youth Day](#) will be held February 1, 2020 at the Central States Fairgrounds & Walter Taylor 4-H Building, 601 E Centre St, Rapid City, SD.

Pre-entry is required and the registration must be received or postmarked on or before January 10, 2020.

For more information or to sign-up, please review the [contestant packet](#).

Have you spotted all the **Snowmen** yet?

Winter blizzards have been bringing about mounds of snow, but some of those heaps have become more lively.

Hiding through-out the pages of this newsletter are snowmen of all colors and sizes. Review it carefully, and once you think you have found them all, send your number guess to sonia.mack@sdstate.edu with the subject line "Hidden Snowmen".

Anyone who guesses correctly will be entered in a drawing to win 4-H gear from the Extension Office. Drawings will be held at the end of the month and announced on our Facebook page and in the next months newsletter. **You are eligible to enter every month even if you have won in the past!**

Our November-December winner was Susan Gilkerson!



2019-2020 4-H Enrollment



The new 4-H year opened October 1 and runs through September 30, 2020.

Please complete the re/enrollment process on [4-HOnline](#) in order to be an active member for the 2019-20 4-H year. In order to enroll in 4-H, youth must be 8 years old on or before January 1, 2020. Youth cannot be older than 18 on or before January 1, 2020.

[New year enrollment opened online October 1, 2019.](#)

If you have been enrolled in 4-H before, please do not create a new profile.

Login with your family's 4-HOnline credentials, and re-enroll for the new 4-H year.



4HOnline
4-H Enrollment and Event Registration

(Independent members should submit their \$3 [\$3.50 for horse project participants] insurance dues to the office.)



Follow Brookings County 4-H on Social Media!

Miss out on any 4-H updates or news? Want to see pictures from programs and events?

Wish you could share your experience from a recent 4-H opportunity?

Check out all the places Brookings County 4-H hangs out online!

Find Brookings County 4-H on:

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